

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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For: PROTECTIVE COATING COMPOSITION

**DECLARATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.132 ESTABLISHING THAT THE RELEVANT  
DISCLOSURE RELIED ON IS INVENTOR'S OWN WORK**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This Declaration under 37 CFR §1.132 is being submitted in accordance with MPEP §2136.05 to establish that the portions of U.S. Pat. App. Pub. No. 2004/0022945 (the '945 Publication) relied upon by the Examiner in rejecting claims 1-5, 7-10, and 14 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) are Applicant's own work such that these rejections based on the '945 Publication should be withdrawn.

**Respectfully submitted,**

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I, Andrew J. Goodwin, hereby declare that:

1. I am a citizen of Great Britain.
2. I am currently employed as a Managing Director for Dow Corning Ireland Ltd. I have been employed by Dow Corning Ireland Ltd. since 1989 and have worked in the field of plasma coating technology for approximately ten (10) years.
3. I am a joint inventor with Stuart Leadley and Seamus P. Ryan of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/510,555, filed October 7, 2004, Attorney Docket No. MSP617NAT1.
4. I am also a joint inventor with Patrick Merlin, Pal Badyal, and Luke Ward of U.S. Pat. App. Pub. No. 2004/0022945, ("the '945 publication").
5. I have read and understand the '945 publication, particularly the portions of the specification from paragraphs [0015-0020] and [0023], Figure 1, the Abstract, and claim 14, which are relied upon by the Examiner in rejecting the instant claims 1-5, 7-10, and 14 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) and claims 6 and 11-13 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a), as set forth in the Office Action dated July 19, 2006.

6. The disclosures of the '945 publication stated above in Paragraph 5, and relied upon by the Examiner, are my own work and represent my invention. This invention was derived from me.

7. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true, that all statements made on information are believed to be true, and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful and false statements and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or patent issued thereon.

Respectfully submitted,

16 November 2006

Dated

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